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DETAILED ACTION

1. The reply filed on October 31, 2007 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Applicant has failed to present arguments that comply with CFR 1.111(b) by pointing out the specific distinctions believed to render the claims patentable over the references in presenting arguments in support of new claims and amendments. . See 37 CFR 1.111.
2. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).
3. Applicant should submit an argument under the heading "Remarks" pointing out disagreements with the examiner's contentions. Applicant must also discuss the references applied against the claims, explaining how the claims avoid the references or distinguish from them. Applicant should also explain how the new claims overcome the prior art of record.

Conclusion

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Tonia LM Dollinger whose telephone number is (571) 272-4170. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday with first Friday's off.

5. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Alford Kindred can be reached on (571) 272-4037. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.
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